



# Highlights of Mayor Abramson's Proposed FY 2009-10 Budget

## **Preserves basic services despite rising costs and declining revenues**

- Anticipates 1.4 percent decrease in General Fund revenues

## **Creates about 3,000 private-sector jobs to stimulate the local economy with capital investments in roads, sidewalks, public housing, parks**

- Leverages \$109 million in federal, state and private dollars with \$8.2 million in local tax dollars

## **Continues reducing the size of government**

- Eliminates 528 positions, including 119 filled and 409 vacant jobs
- Brings net reduction of government positions since merger to 1,600 jobs

## **Devotes largest share of revenue to police department to keep citizens safe**

- Provides \$152 million for police, about 30 percent of General Fund budget
- Maintain current strength of police force with two recruit classes
- Invests \$5.6 million in new police cars, body armor, in-car computers, cameras and other equipment

## **Invests \$28.9 million in streets, sidewalks, bikeways, other transportation needs**

- Represents largest allocation in seven years of new government
- Includes nearly \$7.7 million in street and road improvements and \$4.95 million in new sidewalks
- Allocates \$5.6 million for traffic light synchronization along major suburban roads including Dixie Highway, Preston Highway and Shelbyville Road

## **Completes new MetroSafe system, including new downtown headquarters**

- Allocates \$4.3 million for final phase of emergency communications network

## **Allocates \$18.9 million to provide housing for elderly and low-income citizens**

- Includes \$6.3 million for weatherization of homes

## **Includes funding for innovative solutions that improve quality of life**

- Provides \$400,000 for new e-subpoena system to better ensure officers and witnesses make court appearances to testify against alleged criminals
- Creates much-needed grocery store for Park duValle neighborhood in West Louisville through innovative public-private partnership
- Allocates \$1 million to EMS for improved, life-saving defibrillators

## **Modernizes TARC with \$22 million investment**

- Includes funding for more hybrid buses, improved maintenance facility

**Provides \$6.2 million to non-profit agencies that help citizens in need**

- Includes funds for community ministries and social service organizations

**Improves park system by providing \$4.5 million, primarily for connecting trails**

**No increases in taxes**

- Raises construction-related fees and alcohol licenses in line with state charges
- Increases inmate booking fee from \$25 to \$35
- Adds charges for EMS non-transport runs and fire department hazardous-materials inspections

**Additional cost-saving measures**

- Closes non-essential government services for four days to save money
- Continues 5 percent annual pay cut for Mayor, top leadership team
- Freezes salaries for non-union employees
- Temporarily reduces frequency of street sweeping, junk pickup
- Consolidates four health clinics to three regional locations – Dixie Highway, Middletown and Newburg
- Reduces some parks programming including WinterScene and SummerScene and eliminates Studio 2000 art program